

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Final Office Action dated July 10, 2008. Claims 1-10 and 12-22 are pending in this application and Claims 1-10 and 12-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103. In response, Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, and 10 have been amended. The amendment does not add new matter. In view of the amendment and/or for the reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections are improper and should be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

In the Office Action, Claims 1-10 and 12-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,032,001 to Herrod et al. ("Herrod"). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection for at least the reasons set forth below.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite, in part, "selecting a date and a time when attaching and receiving data items." Claims 6, 7, 9, and 10 contain a similar amendment.

The amendment is fully supported by the specification. For example, Applicants disclose, "A time indicator 109 indicates the date and time of the situation displayed in each field." See published specification, paragraph [0085]. Additionally, see Fig. 8 where "[i]cons 103 to 106 represent items of information which are attached to the respective fields. See published specification, paragraph [0086].

Applicants respectfully submit that Herrod fails to disclose or suggest selecting a date and a time when attaching and receiving data items. Instead, Herrod discloses, "The image captured may relate to the condition of goods prior to delivery and the received image may be transferred from the base station to a delivery point for comparison with the received goods." See Herrod, column 4, lines 25-28. Thus, while the image may relate to the condition of goods prior to delivery, Herrod fails to disclose selecting a date and a time when attaching and receiving data items.

Further regarding Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, and 10, the Office Action states that Herrod discloses storing the data items such that the data items are attached to the surrounding contexts in the particular environment in a corresponding manner. Applicants respectfully disagree and submit that Herrod discloses the image capture device may "print bar code symbols or a hard copy version of the captured image." See Herrod, column 4, lines 4-5. However, the bar code merely

represents the captured image and not the surrounding contexts in which the image was captured. See Herrod, column 8, lines 63-66. Thus, Herrod discloses attaching a bar code to a data item and fails to disclose attaching a data item to the surrounding contexts in the particular environment in a corresponding manner.

Additionally, the Office Action states that Herrod discloses retrieving at least one stored data item based on the sensing means sensing at least one of the plurality of surrounding contexts in the particular environment. Applicants respectfully disagree and submit that Herrod discloses a user wishing to find out about a news event needs to access the website created by the terminal holding the report. See Herrod, column 7, lines 7-11. "The address could be known to the user or could be available from a central site on the Internet disclosing where various mobile units are located, and providing their site addresses." See Herrod, column 7, lines 11-14. Thus, a user retrieves the news report by acquiring the website address rather than the sensing means sensing at least one of the plurality of surrounding contexts in the particular environment.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the obviousness rejection with respect to Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, and 10 and Claims 2-5, 8, and 12-22 that depend thereon be reconsidered and the rejections withdrawn.

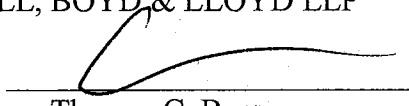
For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and earnestly solicit reconsideration of the same.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing. If such a withdrawal is made, please indicate the Attorney Docket No. 112857-434 on the account statement.

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